

FOR INFORMATION CALL

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Resolution to adopt a Green Infrastructure Plan for the City of Milwaukee advances to the Common Council

The Public Works Committee today unanimously recommended for approval a resolution to adopt a Green Infrastructure Plan for the City of Milwaukee. If adopted by the full Common Council the Department of Public Works, beginning in 2020, is authorized to use up to \$200,000 per year from the City's Green Solutions funding allocation from the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) to implement the plan.

Common Council File #190342, sponsored by Alderman Cavalier Johnson and cosponsored by Alderman Nik Kovac, Alderman Robert J. Bauman (Public Works Committee chair), Alderman Michael J. Murphy, and Alderman Mark A. Borkowski, officially adopts the Plan which, at the Council's direction, was developed by the City's Environmental Collaboration Office in cooperation with various other City departments and community partners.

"The Green Infrastructure Plan will reduce the amount of rainwater that flows into the sewerage system following a wet-weather event," said Ald. Johnson. "Climate change is real, and with the prediction of ever larger wet-weather events in our future, this Plan will help improve our water quality, reduce flooding and our water treatment needs – all goals that our residents and my colleagues can appreciate and support."

The file next goes to the full Common Council on Tuesday, June 18 at 9:00 a.m. for a final vote. This meeting will be televised live on the City Channel (Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and on AT&T U-Verse Channel 99) in the City of Milwaukee. It can also be viewed via streaming video on the City website at milwaukee.gov/Channel25.